

# JUSTIN P. BRINDLEY TRAIL

# **RULES OF THE TRAIL**

## THIS TRAIL IS DEDICATED TO THE SPIRIT AND PASSION OF **JUSTIN P. BRINDLEY (1978-2008)**

Justin was an avid outdoorsman, sportsman and adventurer who enjoyed road and mountain biking, surfing, wind surfing, skiing, snowboarding, mountain climbing, skateboarding, camping, hiking, fly fishing and rafting. He spent much of his youth pursuing these passions along the Brazos River in Sugar Land.

After graduating from Clements High School, he received a bachelor's degree from Southern Methodist University in 2000 and a Master of Business Administration from the University of Colorado in 2008.

Justin embraced life with a passion. He never met a stranger, made friends wherever he went and saw good in everyone. An esoteric traveler, Justin could say "I am a small cat" in more than 15 languages.

Justin died on June 20, 2008, while rafting with Cassius, his BoxerLab companion, on the upper Colorado River gorge near Vail, Colo.



### 1. Leave No Trace

Be sensitive to the dirt beneath you. Wet and muddy trails are more vulnerable to damage than dry ones. When trail conditions are soft (a common occurrence after rainfall) consider other riding options. Stay on existing trails, and do not create new ones. Do not cut switchbacks. Be sure to pack out at least as much as you pack in.

### 2. Control Your Bicycle

Inattention for even a moment could put yourself and others at risk. Obey all regulations and recommendations, and ride within your limits. Travel speed will be determined by ability, equipment, the terrain and the present and potential weather conditions. Be aware of the multiple technical trail features.

### 3. Yield to Others

Let others on the trail know you are coming—a friendly greeting or bell ring are good methods. Try to anticipate others on the trail as you approach corners. Yield to others, and make each pass a safe and courteous one.

### 4. Never Scare Animals

Animals are easily startled by unannounced approaches, sudden movements or loud noises. Give animals enough room and time to adjust to you.

### 5. Plan Ahead

Know your equipment, your ability and the area where you are riding, and prepare accordingly. Strive to be self-sufficient; keep your equipment in good repair; and carry necessary supplies, including a cell phone. Always wear a helmet and appropriate safety gear.



Be aware of your surroundings while on the trail. Use caution when encountering these wild animals that live along this trail.









Copperhead



Feral Hogs

Water Moccasin

Coral Snake